# **PATENT APPLICATION**

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: MOTOR AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

### **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 5 as follows:

5. (Amended) A motor according to claim 1, wherein the sleeve is provided with a substantially cylindrical flange body into which the shaft is inserted, and a portion corresponding to the flange body and a portion corresponding to the sleeve body are integrated.

Please add new claims 12-14 as follows:

--12. A motor according to claim 2, wherein the sleeve is provided with a substantially cylindrical flange body into which the shaft is inserted, and a portion corresponding to the flange body and a portion corresponding to the sleeve body are integrated.--

--13. A motor according to claim 3, wherein the sleeve is provided with a substantially cylindrical flange body into which the shaft is inserted, and a portion corresponding to the flange body and a portion corresponding to the sleeve body are integrated.--

--14. A motor according to claim 4, wherein the sleeve is provided with a substantially cylindrical flange body into which the shaft is inserted, and a portion corresponding to the flange body and a portion corresponding to the sleeve body are integrated.--

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-14 are pending. Claim 5 is amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and claims 12-14 are added to compensate for deleted material from multiple dependent claim 5.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of the rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(ii)).

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Attached: APPENDIX

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# APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

Claims 12-14 are added.

The following is a marked-up version of the amended claim:

5. (Amended) A motor according to claim 1 any claim of claims 1 to 4, wherein the sleeve is provided with a substantially cylindrical flange body into which the shaft is inserted, and a portion corresponding to the flange body and a portion corresponding to the sleeve body are integrated.